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Executive Committee meeting notes, July 2018

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AGENDA
Clark Fork and Kootenai River Basins Council
Executive Committee Meeting
Alumni Boardroom
University Center, UM, Missoula
Thursday, July 12, 2018, 1-4 PM

- **Welcome (5mins)**-Dave Shively
 - Dave Shively, Evan Norman, Travis Ross, Vicki Watson, Bonnie Holzworth, Kierra Davis, Molly Davidson, Susan Lake, and Verdell Jackson(by phone). Everyone signed the Thank You cards
- **Ground Rules (5mins)**- Dave Shively
 - Consensus- Thumbs!
 - ExComm then Guests;
 - Need to be concise in discussion to move through agenda.
- **Overview/Additions to Agenda (5mins)**- Kierra/Ex. Comm.
- **Annual Meeting Overview (20mins)**- Kierra
 - Post meeting survey responses (disseminate responses to Ex Comm)
 - In future have paper survey at the table on the last day
- **Bylaws (25mins)** - Dave
 - Examples attached
 - Susan and Dave like Blackfoot Challenge, and the CFTF Ground Rules, and felt that MWCC had lots of repeated language in theirs
 - Need to keep bylaws simple was noted
 - Establish a subcommittee
 - Susan Lake
 - Maureen Connor (has committed in the past)
 - Contact Kierra if needed
 - Develop a timeline for completion (send Susan the Charter)
 - October
- **Fiscal Development (30mins)** - Dave
 - Creation of subcommittee after Bylaws?
 - Trying not to compete with stakeholders
 - We have BEF grant and DNRC WMG but need to diversify
 - Biggest expenditures are BSWC member and Annual Meeting
 - Need to find a way to decrease cost of Annual Meeting (charge for attendance or for meal only, sponsorships?)
 - Why do we have an annual meeting and what are we trying to achieve? Required by Charter. Cohost with another organization to reduce saturation of meetings. Only have the meeting last for one day.
 - Need a budget of expenditures and what our needs are.
 - NSWG awards are great use of the funds we have and it gets recognition out about the Council
 - Visit with Robert, Erin, and get more feedback from Ex Comm.
 - Need non-profit status? There are some downsides of administration work that has to happen (requires staff and special services).

- Dave to share budget and grant information
- **Statute (15mins)** – Dave and Verdell
 - Discuss the need to submit a repealer
 - DNRC seems to support our efforts (Jon Tubbs especially).
 - Time is now if we wish to get this into the next legislative session
 - Approach Glimm and Brown about this ASAP giving heads up that we would like to talk about it at the WPIC meeting on July 16 -17th. Dave, Erin, and Kierra will be in attendance on Tuesday.
 - Dave send most recent copies of the documents from Verdell
 - Need to add in Tribal interests and “shall utilize or create a water user council”. Can we move tasks from the Task Force document to the general statute?
 - Need proposal for Sept. 10 and 11th meeting
- **Policy (25mins)**-Dave
 - Reviewing and Commenting on Agency Actions (NRDP, Water Rights and Admin Rules, Water Quality Planning, etc.):
 - On invitation by local groups? Working group prompts? On own initiative?
 - Working Groups should do the work and not be bypassed by EC accepting prompts by individuals (i.e., working groups should vet ideas).
 - Develop policy for online voting/commenting in bylaws.
 - Looking at State Water Plan and seeing if there is no or little activity in certain actions and asking why advancement is not happening (i.e., monitor the plan). Send out a status report once a year about progress on the Watershed Plan? Maybe have breakout groups at the annual meeting about talking about it. Agencies to give out a short report about their progress everywhere. Create a dashboard and it can progress over years. Maybe a good project for Data WG with help of Natural Systems WG. Bonnie, Molly, and Kierra talk more about?
- **Opportunity: Facilitated ExComm Training (5mins)**- Robert Warren, BEF
 - Set September meeting date
 - Need times that would work for him and what the general agenda would be.
- **Reports from Work Groups**
 - **Communications (15mins.)** – Kierra
 - Logo (getting a professional get name from Travis)
 - Infrastructure (email and website)
 - Free email account
 - What is cost of website
 - Outreach and Engagement
 - Brochure
 - Events
 - Social Media Plan
 - Natural Systems- Vicki
 - Overview and thoughts on a Kiosk by Van Buren St.

- Issue comment or position of EPA work on Floodplain by Pulp Mill – will develop draft letter to share with NSWG and then ExComm.
 - Discuss 319 projects and support of projects that improve flows
 - Call for proposal is out
 - Work with groups in basin to create WS Restoration Plans if there is a need
 - Update from funding subcommittee on meeting about progress on projects that were funded.
- Data
 - recreate group with Joann Wallenburn, Michael, and Bonnie
- **Work Plan (30mins) –**
 - Send work plan out again
 - Do green, yellow, red Dashboard?
- **2018 MWCC Watershed Symposium, Whitefish, October 10-12th**
(10mins)-Kierra,Dave
 - Request from EFO to have CFKRBC sponsor a Eureka Tour field trip at stream sponsor level (\$1000 to \$1500)
 - Exposure for the Council
 - 1 free registration
 - Mud Creek Project to be visited
 - Need rough budget (fiscal status) before approving

Attachments:

MWCC Bylaws

Blackfoot Challenge Bylaws

Clark Fork Task Force Bylaws